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REMARKS

Both of the presently submitted references listed on Form PTO/SB/08A, i.e., Cite Nos. F1 and F2, are not in English.

Concise Explanation of Relevance/Copy of Translation
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)

A concise explanation of the relevance of Cite No. F1 is incorporated into the specification in the present application at paragraph [0003].

Furthermore, an English abstract of Cite No. F2, and of Cite No. F1 as well, is available through the Japanese Patent Office Web site, and the corresponding abstract is

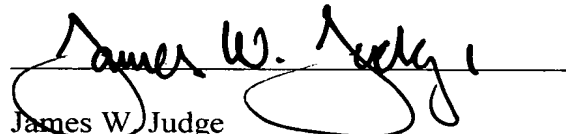
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attached to the front of each reference. (The English abstract for Cite No. F1 is numbered according to the published unexamined application, not the published examined application, which is what is being submitted herewith.)

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider these references, and to indicate so on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08A and make the document of record in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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